

REMARKS

Claim 1-9 are canceled without prejudice.

Claims 10-26 are new.

Support for new Claims 10-12 is found in now canceled Claims 1 and 4, on page 1, lines 40-46, and on page 2, lines 28-32. Support for new Claim 13 is found on page 1, lines 27-29. Support for new Claim 14 is found in now canceled Claim 2. Support for new Claim 15 is found in now canceled Claim 4. Support for new Claims 16-21 is found on page 2, lines 5-9. Support for Claim 22 is found in now canceled Claim 5. Support for Claim 23 is found in now canceled Claim 6. Support for Claim 24 is found in now canceled Claim 7. Support for Claim 25 is found in now canceled Claim 8. Support for Claim 26 is found in now canceled Claim 9.

Upon entry of the amendment, Claims 11-26 will be active.

No new matter is believed to have been added. An action on the merits and allowance of the claims is requested.

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